GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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OUT OF TURN QUOTA IN WEST BENGAL
Khan Shri Sunil

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether consumers of Durgapur district of West Bengal are waiting for the last two years for their telephone connections;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the present status of waiting list;

(c) the time by which the waiting list is likely to be cleared:

(d) whether `the out of turn quota` of Member of Parliament of Durgapur constituency for the year 2003-04 is lying pending; and

(e) if so, the steps taken to clear the pending quota?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) Yes, Sir. There are 217 applicants who are waiting for land line connections for more than two years in Durgapur Division.

(b) The reasons are given below:

(i) Technical non-feasibility in provision of connection on land line

(ii) Delayed supplies of WLL equipments.

(c) It is expected that the said waiting list will be cleared by 31-03-2005.

(d) There is no Out of Turn quota case of Hon`ble Member of Parliament of Durgapur Constituency pending for the year 2003-04.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.